

**U.S. District Court**  
**District of Columbia (Washington, DC)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-02654-APM**

INSTITUTE FOR ENERGY RESEARCH v. UNITED STATES Date Filed: 09/04/2019  
 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Jury Demand: None  
 Assigned to: Judge Amit P. Mehta Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of  
 Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act Information Act  
 Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

**Plaintiff**

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**Defendant**

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF  
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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
09/04/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against All Defendants ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-6358094) filed by INSTITUTE FOR ENERGY RESEARCH. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons for US Attorney, # <u>3</u> Summons for agency, U.S. Dept. of Agric., # <u>4</u> Summons for the Attorney General)(Bader, Hans) (Entered: 09/04/2019)
09/06/2019		Case Assigned to Judge Amit P. Mehta. (zeg) (Entered: 09/06/2019)
09/06/2019	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent)(zeg) (Entered: 09/06/2019)
09/23/2019	<u>3</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/23/2019. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/23/2019.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/11/2019., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE served on 9/11/2019 (Bader, Hans) (Entered: 09/23/2019)
10/15/2019	<u>4</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Daniel Patrick Schaefer on behalf of UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 10/15/2019)
10/15/2019	<u>5</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.(Schaefer, Daniel) (Entered: 10/15/2019)

10/16/2019	<u>6</u>	<p>ORDER. Both a Complaint and an Answer are now before the court in this FOIA case. It is hereby ordered that the parties shall meet and confer and file a Joint Status Report on or before October 30, 2019. The Joint Status Report shall include (1) the status of Plaintiff's FOIA request; (2) the anticipated number of documents responsive to Plaintiff's FOIA request; (3) the anticipated date(s) for release of the documents requested by Plaintiff; (4) whether a motion for stay is likely under Open America v. Watergate Special Prosecution Force, 547 F.2d 605 (D.C. Cir. 1976); and (5) whether the parties anticipate summary judgment briefing and, if so, a proposed briefing schedule. See attached order for additional details. Signed by Judge Amit P. Mehta on 10/16/2019. (lcapm3) (Entered: 10/16/2019)</p>
10/16/2019		<p>Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/30/2019. (zjd) (Entered: 10/16/2019)</p>